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CLAIM SET AS AMENDED

1-11 (Cancelled).

12. (Currently Amended) A beach cleaner for recovering waste comprising:

a grating portion for scooping up waste as the beach cleaner is moved, said grating portion being inclined from a front portion towards a rear portion for positioning said front portion at a lower position relative to said rear portion,

the grating portion being bent at an intermediate position supported by a support rod extending in the transverse direction, the front portion and the rear portion sloping downwardly from opposite sides of the support rod; and

a reticulate portion formed behind said grating portion, said reticulate portion including a front portion and a rear portion wherein said rear portion is inclined relative to said front portion for positioning the rear portion of said reticulate portion at a location that is lower relative to said front portion for holding waste, and

further including wheels mounted on a lower end of a frame for supporting said reticulate portion during movement.

13. (Currently Amended) The beach cleaner according to claim 12, wherein said reticulate portion includes a said frame and a chamber having a lower wall, two upwardly projecting side walls and a rear wall, at least said lower wall including openings therein for enabling sand to return by gravity to the beach.